STATE of WISCONSIN



OFFICE of the GOVERNOR

WHEREAS; the State of Wisconsin has long held the distinction of being America's Dairyland by virtue of our vast, world-renowned dairy industry and the dedication of the families and workers on the nearly 10,000 Wisconsin dairy farms and in more than 400 licensed dairyprocessing facilities who play the leading roles in supplying dairy foods to this nation and around the globe; and

WHEREAS; the dairy cow has played an important part in Wisconsin's agricultural history and continues to stand proudly at the forefront of our state's most famous industry, and Wisconsin is home to 1.28 million dairy cows; and

WHEREAS; the production and processing of Wisconsin's exquisite and healthful dairy products employs 78,900 people across the State with an annual economic impact of \$43.4 billion, and our citizens can be proud that the great State of Wisconsin produces 14 percent of the U.S. milk supply and a quarter of the U.S. cheese production; and

WHEREAS; the Holstein breed of cow has played a significant role in developing Wisconsin's dairy industry, and it is highly appropriate that she be honored for her dependability, her consistent output of wholesome milk, and her stature as a major contributor to Wisconsin's health and well-being;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Scott Walker, Governor of the State of Wisconsin, do hereby proclaim the 2015 Cow of the Year, representing the Holstein breed, to be

SIEMERS DUNDEE HILDA

throughout the State of Wisconsin, and I commend this observance to all of our citizens.

By the Covernor:

Secretary of State

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Wisconsin to be affixed. Done at the Capitol in the City of Madison this 1st day of October 2015.

> SCOTT WALKER **GOVERNOR**